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1. An Italian industrialist recently set forth the following points in a letter to an employee of IAPI (Argentine Institute for the Promotion of Trade):

25X1X6 a. The Argentine government is a "laughing stock" in Europe as it can always be relied on to purchase whatever surplus goods are not desired by other countries. Europeans attribute this action to graft and corruption within the Argentine government.

b. An aluminum plant dismantled by the Germans during the war was shipped to Italy where it was to have been re-established and used for the benefit of the German war effort. However, its transfer proved a failure as a result of certain technical miscalculations. It was subsequently sold to the Italian government, but the plant remained a complete failure.

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c. Orlando Maroglio and an unidentified Argentine, described as the "jefe de custodia presidencial" ~~Comment~~. Probably Police Inspector Herminio Antonio Vassio, chief of the President's bodyguard unit), arranged for the purchase and shipment of the plant to Argentina and maneuvered the transaction in such a manner as to secure for themselves a substantial personal profit.

25X1X6 2. Maroglio was arrested after his complicity in the aluminum plant transaction became known. At present there is no indication that Miguel Miranda was involved in this transaction.

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3. Another source, who has reported substantially the same story as that outlined in the preceding paragraphs, adds that Juan Duarte, Mrs. Peron's brother and Peron's private secretary, is also involved in the scandal. ~~Comment~~. It has been rumored that Peron and Duarte recently had a violent quarrel during which Peron slapped Duarte's face.)

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